15th May 1954] [Mr. Chairman]

(2) *The Madras Proprietary Estates Village Service and Hereditary Offices (Amendment) Bill*, 1954 (*L.A. Bill No.* 22 *of* 1954).

'In accordence with rule 99 of the Madras Assembly Rules, I transmit a copy of the Madras Proprietary Estates' Village Service and Hereditary Village Offices (Amendment) Bill, 1954 (L.A. Bill No. 22 of 1954), as passed by the Assembly on the 14th May 1954, and signed by me, for the concurrence of the Council.'

(3) *The Courtallam Township Bill*, 1954 (*L.C. Bill No.* 8 *of* 1954).

'In accordance with rule 113 of the Madras Assembly Rules, I transmit a copy of the Courtallam Township Bill, 1954 (L.C. Bill No. 8 of 1954), as passed by the Assembly, on the 14th May 1954 with the amendment set out in the Annexure and signed by me for the concurrence of the Council.'

ANNEXURE.

Renumber clause 6 as sub-clause (1) and *add* the following as sub-clause (2) :—

"(2) All orders made by the State Government under sub-section (1) shall, as soon as possible after they are made, be laid on the table of both Houses of the Legislature." '

"I have also to announce to the House that I have received the following message, dated the 15th May 1954, from the Hon. the Speaker, Madras Legislative Assembly :—

The Madras Electricity Undertakings (Acquisition) Bill, 1954 (*L.A. Bill No.* 23 *of* 1954).

'In accordance with rule 99 of the Madras Assembly Rules, I transmit a copy of the Madras Electricity Undertakings (Acquisition) Bill, 1954, (L.A. Bill No. 23 of 1954), as passed by the Assembly, on the 15th May 1954, and signed by me, for the concurrence of the Council.' "

III.—PROGRAMME OF THE HOUSE.

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—"On a point of information, Sir. Hon. Members are anxious to know how long the present sittings of the Council will continue. Will the Hon. the Leader of the House kindly enlighten us on this point?"

* THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—"Sir, how long the present sittings will continue will depend on how we transact our business. Perhaps we may close our work by the 19th or at the latest by the 20th."

IV.—GOVERNMENT BILLS.

(1) THE MADRAS GENERAL SALES TAX (SECOND AMENDMENT) BILL, 1954 (L.A. BILL NO. 20 OF 1954).

* THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—"Mr. Chairman, Sir, I beg to move—

'*That the Madras General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Bill* [a], 1954 (*L.A. Bill No.* 20 *of* 1954), *as passed by the Assembly, be taken into consideration.*'

Sir, this Bill is intended to levy an extra tax on mill cloth of a certain variety at one anna three pies at the first point. It also

[a] Printed as Appendix III on pages 141-142 infra.